

## IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT STUDENT LOANS

This note is to help you to complete the application for your government student loan correctly.

Please apply via [Student Finance](#) as soon as possible to make sure that there are no delays in payment.

Avoiding errors ensures that you receive the right amount of money at the right time.

Common problems relate to the “Course Details” section of the application which, when using the form provided, looks something like this:

When applying online it will look different, but the required information should be the same.

The three questions that cause most confusion are “Course length (years)” which we have outlined in red, “Year of Course” which we have outlined in green, and “Is this an accelerated degree course” which we have outlined in orange.

From your offer letter please check your Programme, Start Date, and Course Duration and then check the tables below to confirm the correct entries for these three sections.

See your Offer Letter to confirm these details			Enter these values on the Student Finance Loan website		
Programme	Start Date (Month)	Course Duration	Course Length	Year of Course	Accelerated?
BA/BSc/LLB (course title)	September	2 years and 1 term	3	First	No
BA/BSc/LLB (course title)	September	2 years	3	First	Yes
BA/BSc/LLB (course title) (with integrated Foundation)	September	3 years	4	Foundation	No
BA/BSc/LLB (course title) (with integrated Foundation)	September	3 years and 1 term	4	Foundation	No
BA/BSc/LLB (course title)(3 year Programme)	September	3 years	4	First	No
BA/BSc/LLB (course title) (including work placement year)	September	3 years	4	First	No
BA/BSc/LLB (course title)	January	2 years	2	First	Yes
BA/BSc/LLB (course title) (with integrated Foundation)	January	3 years	3	Foundation	Yes

### Loan payment dates

Please also note that Student Finance England only pay tuition and maintenance loans three times a year, but as we run through the summer we invoice in four termly amounts.

## Additional funding options

If you think you will need funding in addition to that provided through the government student loan you may wish to consider applying to [Future Finance](#), a specialist student lender with whom we have partnered.

For postgraduate applicants there is also the option to source funding from Lendwise. Information relating to them can be found on our [Lendwise Loan pages](#).

## Help

**If you cannot see your programme in the table above or have any questions or concerns about filling in the government loan application form, please do not hesitate to contact us by email <mailto:student.fees@buckingham.ac.uk>**

We look forward to meeting you on campus.